

withstand external agents (light, bad weather, washing, permanent-waving, perspiration, rubbing).

The dyes must also be able to cover white hair and, lastly, they must be as unselective as possible, i.e. they must give the smallest possible colour differences along the same length of keratin fibre, which may in fact be differently sensitized (i.e. damaged) between its tip and its root.

The oxidation dyeing of keratin fibres is generally carried out in alkaline medium, in the presence of hydrogen peroxide. However, the use of alkaline media in the presence of hydrogen peroxide has the drawback of causing appreciable degradation of the fibres, as well as considerable bleaching of the keratin fibres, which is not always desirable.

The oxidation dyeing of keratin fibres can also be carried out using oxidizing systems other than hydrogen peroxide, such as enzymatic systems. Thus, it has already been proposed to dye keratin fibres, in particular in patent application EP-A-0,310,675, with compositions comprising an oxidation dye precursor in combination with enzymes such as pyranose oxidase, glucose oxidase or uricase, in the presence of a donor for the said enzymes. Although being used under conditions which do not result in degradation of the keratin fibres which is comparable to that caused by the dyes used in the presence of hydrogen peroxide, these dye formulations nevertheless lead to colorations which are still insufficient, both as regards the homogeneity of the colour distributed along the fibre ("unison") and as regards the chromaticity (luminosity) and the dyeing power.

It is known that the most common technique for obtaining a permanent reshaping of the hair consists, in a first stage, in opening the keratin -S-S-disulphide (cysteine) bonds using a composition containing a

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suitable reducing agent (reduction step) followed, after having rinsed the hair thus treated, by reconstituting, in a second stage, the said disulphide bonds by applying to the hair, which has been placed under tension beforehand (curlers and the like), an oxidizing composition (oxidation step, also known as the fixing step) so as finally to give to the hair the desired shape. This technique thus makes it equally possible either to make the hair wavy or to straighten it or to remove its curliness. The new shape given to the hair by a chemical treatment such as above is remarkably long-lasting and in particular resists the action of washing with water or shampoos, as opposed to simple standard techniques for temporary reshaping, such as hairsetting.

The reducing compositions which may be used in order to carry out the first step of a permanent-waving operation generally contain, as reducing agents, sulphites, bisulphites, alkylphosphines or, preferably, thiols. Among the thiols, those commonly used are cysteine and the various derivatives thereof, cysteamine and the derivatives thereof, thiolactic acid or thioglycolic acid, the salts thereof and the esters thereof, in particular glyceryl thioglycolate.

As regards the oxidizing compositions needed to carry out the fixing step, use is usually made in practice of compositions based on aqueous hydrogen peroxide, sodium bromate or persalts such as sodium perborate, which have the drawback of being liable to damage the hair.

The problem of the technique of the permanent-waving operations known to date is that their application to the hair induces long-term adverse changes in the quality of the hair. The essential causes of these adverse changes in the quality of the hair are a reduction in its cosmetic properties, such as its sheen and its feel, and degradation of its

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mechanical properties, more particularly degradation of its mechanical strength due to swelling of the keratin fibres during the rinsing between the reduction step and the oxidation step, which can also be reflected by an increase in its porosity. The hair is weakened and can become brittle during subsequent treatments such as blow-drying.

The same problem of adverse changes in keratin fibres is encountered during processes for bleaching the hair.

It is known that the permanent reshaping or bleaching of keratin fibres can also be carried out under milder conditions using oxidizing systems other than hydrogen peroxide, such as enzymatic systems. Thus, processes for the permanent reshaping or bleaching of keratin fibres have already been proposed, in particular in patent application EP-A-0,310,675, with compositions comprising an enzyme such as pyranose oxidase, glucose oxidase or uricase, in the presence of a donor for the said enzyme. Although being used under conditions which do not result in degradation of the keratin fibres which is comparable to that caused by conventional permanent-waving or bleaching processes, these oxidizing formulations nevertheless lead to results which are still insufficient, as regards the curl hold over time, as regards the compatibility of permanent-waved or bleached hair with subsequent treatments, as regards the degradation of the mechanical properties of the permanent-waved hair, in particular the reduction of the porosity of the hair, and as regards the reduction of the cosmetic properties such as the feel, or alternatively as regards the uniformity of the bleaching along the keratin fibres.

The aim of the present invention is to solve the problems mentioned above.

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novel compositions containing, as oxidizing system, at least one enzyme of 2-electron oxidoreductase type in the presence of at least one donor for the said enzyme and at least one nonionic amphiphilic polymer containing at least one fatty chain and at least one hydrophilic unit which will be defined in more detail below, which can constitute, in the presence of oxidation dye precursors (oxidation bases) and optionally couplers, ready-to-use dye formulations which lead to more homogeneous, more intense and more chromatic colorations without giving rise to any significant degradation, or bleaching, of the keratin fibres, these colorations being relatively unselective and showing good resistance to the various aggressive factors to which the hair may be subjected.

The Applicant has also discovered, unexpectedly, that the use, in a process for the permanent reshaping of keratin fibres, of an oxidizing composition containing, as oxidizing system, at least one enzyme of 2-electron oxidoreductase type in the presence of at least one donor for the said enzyme and at least one nonionic amphiphilic polymer containing at least one fatty chain and at least one hydrophilic unit, makes it possible to solve the technical problems mentioned above. In particular, this type of oxidizing composition improves the curl hold obtained over time, substantially reduces the porosity of permanent-waved hair and improves the compatibility of permanent-waved hair with respect to subsequent treatments.

The Applicant has also discovered, surprisingly, that the use, in a process for bleaching keratin fibres, of an oxidizing composition containing, as oxidizing system, at least one enzyme of 2-electron oxidoreductase type in the presence of at least one donor for the said enzyme and at least one nonionic amphiphilic polymer containing at least one fatty chain

and at least one hydrophilic unit, makes it possible to solve the technical problems mentioned above, in particular to improve the compatibility of bleached hair with respect to subsequent treatments. This type of oxidizing composition gives a more uniform bleaching effect on the hair and improves the cosmetic properties, such as the feel.

These discoveries form the basis of the present invention.

The subject of the present invention is thus, firstly, a cosmetic and/or dermatological composition intended for treating keratin fibres, in particular human keratin fibres and more particularly human hair, comprising, in a support which is suitable for keratin fibres:

(a) at least one enzyme of 2-electron oxidoreductase type in the presence of at least one donor for the said enzyme,

(b) at least one nonionic amphiphilic polymer containing at least one fatty chain and at least one hydrophilic unit.

The 2-electron oxidoreductase(s) used in the oxidizing compositions in accordance with the invention can be chosen in particular from pyranose oxidases, glucose oxidases, glycerol oxidases, lactate oxidases, pyruvate oxidases and uricases.

According to the invention, the 2-electron oxidoreductase is preferably chosen from uricases of animal, microbiological or biotechnological origin.

By way of example, mention may be made in particular of uricase extracted from boar liver, uricase from *Arthrobacter globiformis*, as well as uricase from *Aspergillus flavus*.

The 2-electron oxidoreductase(s) can be used in pure crystalline form or in a form diluted in a diluent which is inert with respect to the said 2-electron

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oxidoreductase.

The 2-electron oxidoreductase(s) in accordance with the invention preferably represent(s) from 0.01 to 20% by weight approximately relative to the total weight of the composition, and even more preferably from 0.1 to 5% by weight approximately relative to this weight.

According to the invention, the term donor is understood to refer to the various substrates also necessary for the functioning of the said 2-electron oxidoreductase(s).

The nature of the donor (or substrate) for the said enzyme varies depending on the nature of the 2-electron oxidoreductase used. For example, as donors for the pyranose oxidases, mention may be made of D-glucose, L-sorbose and D-xylose; as a donor for the glucose oxidases, mention may be made of D-glucose; as donors for the glycerol oxidases, mention may be made of glycerol and dihydroxyacetone; as donors for the lactate oxidases, mention may be made of lactic acid and its salts; as donors for the pyruvate oxidases, mention may be made of pyruvic acid and its salts; and lastly, as donors for the uricases, mention may be made of uric acid and its salts.

The donor(s) (or substrate(s)) used in accordance with the invention preferably represent(s) from 0.01 to 20% by weight approximately relative to the total weight of the composition in accordance with the invention, and even more preferably from 0.1 to 5% approximately relative to this weight.

The nonionic amphiphilic polymers containing at least one fatty chain and at least one hydrophilic unit, used according to the invention, are preferably chosen from:

(1) celluloses modified with groups containing at least one fatty chain;

as examples, mention may be made of:

- hydroxyethylcelluloses modified with groups containing at least one fatty chain, such as alkyl, arylalkyl or alkylaryl groups or mixtures thereof, and in which the alkyl groups are preferably C<sub>8</sub>-C<sub>22</sub>, such as the product Natrosol Plus Grade 330 CS (C<sub>16</sub> alkyls) sold by the company Aqualon, or the product Bermocoll EHM 100 sold by the company Berol Nobel,

- those modified with polyalkylene glycol alkylphenyl ether groups, such as the product Amercell Polymer HM-1500 (polyethylene glycol (15) ether of nonylphenol) sold by the company Amerchol.

(2) hydroxypropylguars modified with groups containing at least one fatty chain, such as the product Esaflor HM 22 (C<sub>22</sub> alkyl chain) sold by the company Lamberti, or the products Miracare XC95-3 (C<sub>14</sub> alkyl chain) and RE205-1 (C<sub>20</sub> alkyl chain) sold by the company Rhône-Poulenc.

(3) polyurethane ethers containing at least one fatty chain such as C<sub>8</sub>-C<sub>30</sub> alkyl or alkenyl groups, for instance the products Dapral T 210 and Dapral T 212 sold by the company Akzo.

(4) copolymers of vinyl pyrrolidone and of hydrophobic monomers containing a fatty chain;

as examples, mention may be made of:

- the products Antaron V216 or Ganex V216 (vinylpyrrolidone/hexadecene copolymer) sold by the company I.S.P.,

- the products Antaron V220 or Ganex V220 (vinylpyrrolidone/eicosene copolymer) sold by the company I.S.P.

(5) copolymers of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl methacrylates or acrylates and of amphiphilic monomers containing at least one fatty chain, such as, for example, the oxyethylenated methyl methacrylate/stearyl acrylate copolymer sold by the company Goldschmidt under the

name Antil 208.

(6) copolymers of hydrophilic methacrylates or acrylates and of hydrophobic monomers containing at least one fatty chain, such as, for example, polyethylene glycol methacrylate/lauryl methacrylate copolymer.

The nonionic amphiphilic polymers containing at least one fatty chain and at least one hydrophilic unit, according to the invention, are preferably used in an amount which can range from about 0.05 to 10% by weight relative to the total weight of the dye composition applied to the fibres. More preferably, this amount ranges from about 0.2 to 5% by weight.

A subject of the present invention is also a ready-to-use composition for the oxidation dyeing of keratin fibres, and in particular human keratin fibres such as the hair, of the type comprising, in a medium which is suitable for dyeing, at least one oxidation base and, where appropriate, one or more couplers, which is characterized in that it contains:

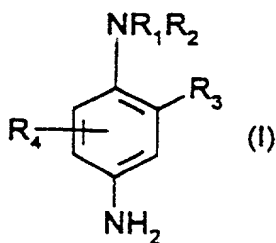
(a) at least one enzyme of 2-electron oxidoreductase type in the presence of at least one donor for the said enzyme,

(b) at least one nonionic amphiphilic polymer containing at least one fatty chain and at least one hydrophilic unit.

The nature of the oxidation base(s) used in the ready-to-use dye composition is not a critical factor. They can be chosen, in particular, from para-phenylenediamines, double bases, para-aminophenols, ortho-aminophenols and heterocyclic oxidation bases.

Among the para-phenylenediamines which can be used as oxidation bases in the dye compositions in accordance with the invention, mention may be made in particular of the compounds of formula (I) below, and the addition salts thereof with an acid:





in which:

- $R_1$  represents a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a  $(C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkoxy( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical substituted with a nitrogenous group, a phenyl radical or a 4'-aminophenyl radical;
- $R_2$  represents a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_2$ - $C_4$  polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a  $(C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkoxy( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkyl radical or a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical substituted with a nitrogenous group;
- $R_3$  represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom such as a chlorine, bromine, iodine or fluorine atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monohydroxyalkyl radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  hydroxyalkoxy radical, an acetylamino( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkoxy radical, a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  mesylaminoalkoxy radical or a carbamoylamino( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkoxy radical,
- $R_4$  represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl radical.

Among the nitrogenous groups of formula (I) above, mention may be made in particular of amino, mono( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkylamino, di( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkylamino, tri( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkylamino, monohydroxy( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkylamino, imidazolinium and ammonium radicals.

Among the para-phenylenediamines of formula (I) above, mention may be made more particularly of para-phenylenediamine, para-toluylenediamine, 2-chloro-para-phenylenediamine, 2,3-dimethyl-para-phenylenediamine, 2,6-dimethyl-para-phenylenediamine, 2,6-diethyl-para-

phenylenediamine, 2,5-dimethyl-para-phenylenediamine,  
N,N-dimethyl-para-phenylenediamine, N,N-diethyl-para-  
phenylenediamine, N,N-dipropyl-para-phenylenediamine,  
4-amino-N,N-diethyl-3-methylaniline, N,N-bis( $\beta$ -  
5 hydroxyethyl)-para-phenylenediamine, 4-amino-N,N-bis( $\beta$ -  
hydroxyethyl)-2-methylaniline, 4-amino-2-chloro-N,N-  
bis( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)aniline, 2- $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl-para-  
phenylenediamine, 2-fluoro-para-phenylenediamine,  
2-isopropyl-para-phenylenediamine, N-( $\beta$ -hydroxypropyl)-  
10 para-phenylenediamine, 2-hydroxymethyl-para-  
phenylenediamine, N,N-dimethyl-3-methyl-para-  
phenylenediamine, N,N-(ethyl- $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-para-  
phenylenediamine, N-( $\beta,\gamma$ -dihydroxypropyl)-para-  
phenylenediamine, N-(4'-aminophenyl)-para-phenylene-  
15 diamine, N-phenyl-para-phenylenediamine, 2- $\beta$ -hydroxy-  
ethyloxy-para-phenylenediamine, 2- $\beta$ -acetyl-amino-  
ethyloxy-para-phenylenediamine and N-( $\beta$ -methoxyethyl)-  
para-phenylenediamine, and the addition salts thereof  
with an acid.

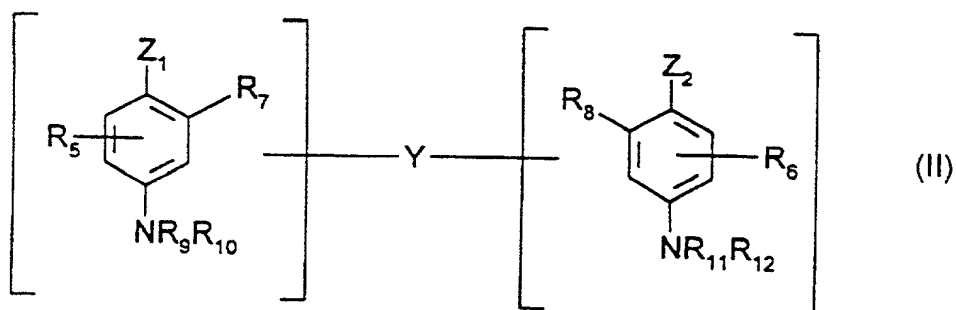
20 Among the para-phenylenediamines of formula (I)  
above, para-phenylenediamine, para-toluylenediamine, 2-  
isopropyl-para-phenylenediamine, 2- $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl-para-  
phenylenediamine, 2- $\beta$ -hydroxyethyloxy-para-  
phenylenediamine, 2,6-dimethyl-para-phenylenediamine;  
25 2,6-diethyl-para-phenylenediamine, 2,3-dimethyl-para-  
phenylenediamine, N,N-bis( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-para-  
phenylenediamine, 2-chloro-para-phenylenediamine and 2-  
 $\beta$ -acetyl-aminoethyloxy-para-phenylenediamine and the  
addition salts thereof with an acid are most  
30 particularly preferred.

According to the invention, the term double  
bases is understood to refer to the compounds  
containing at least two aromatic rings bearing amino  
and/or hydroxyl groups.

35 Among the double bases which can be used as

oxidation bases in the dye compositions in accordance with the invention, mention may be made in particular of the compounds corresponding to formula (II) below, and the addition salts thereof with an acid:

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in which:

- Z<sub>1</sub> and Z<sub>2</sub>, which may be identical or different, represent a hydroxyl or -NH<sub>2</sub> radical which may be substituted with a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical or with a linker arm Y;

- the linker arm Y represents a linear or branched alkylene chain containing from 1 to 14 carbon atoms, which may be interrupted by or terminated with one or more nitrogenous groups and/or one or more hetero atoms such as oxygen, sulphur or nitrogen atoms, and optionally substituted with one or more hydroxyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkoxy radicals;

- R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> represent a hydrogen or halogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> aminoalkyl radical or a linker arm Y;

- R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>8</sub>, R<sub>9</sub>, R<sub>10</sub>, R<sub>11</sub> and R<sub>12</sub>, which may be identical or different, represent a hydrogen atom, a linker arm Y or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical;

it being understood that the compounds of formula (II) contain only one linker arm Y per molecule.

Among the nitrogenous groups of formula (II) above, mention may be made in particular of amino,

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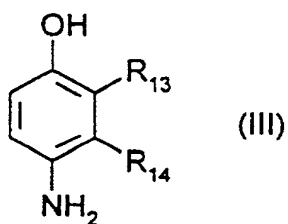
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mono(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino, di(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino, tri(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino, monohydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino, imidazolinium and ammonium radicals.

Among the double bases of formula (II) above, mention may be made more particularly of N,N'-bis(β-hydroxyethyl)-N,N'-bis(4'-aminophenyl)-1,3-diaminopropanol, N,N'-bis(β-hydroxyethyl)-N,N'-bis(4'-aminophenyl)ethylenediamine, N,N'-bis(4-aminophenyl)-tetramethylenediamine, N,N'-bis(β-hydroxyethyl)-N,N'-bis(4-aminophenyl)tetramethylenediamine, N,N'-bis(4-methylaminophenyl)tetramethylenediamine, N,N'-bis(ethyl)-N,N'-bis(4'-amino-3'-methylphenyl)ethylenediamine and 1,8-bis(2,5-diaminophenoxy)-3,5-dioxaoctane, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

Among these double bases of formula (II), N,N'-bis(β-hydroxyethyl)-N,N'-bis(4'-aminophenyl)-1,3-diaminopropanol and 1,8-bis(2,5-diaminophenoxy)-3,5-dioxaoctane, or one of the addition salts thereof with an acid, are particularly preferred.

Among the para-aminophenols which can be used as oxidation bases in the dye compositions in accordance with the invention, mention may be made in particular of the compounds corresponding to formula (III) below, and the addition salts thereof with an acid:



in which:

- R<sub>13</sub> represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkoxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> aminoalkyl or hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl

radical,

- R<sub>14</sub> represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monohydroxyalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> aminoalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> cyanoalkyl or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkoxy-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical,

it being understood that at least one of the radicals R<sub>13</sub> or R<sub>14</sub> represents a hydrogen atom.

Among the para-aminophenols of formula (III) above, mention may be made more particularly of para-aminophenol, 4-amino-3-methylphenol, 4-amino-3-fluorophenol, 4-amino-3-hydroxymethylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-hydroxymethylphenol, 4-amino-2-methoxymethylphenol, 4-amino-2-aminomethylphenol, 4-amino-2-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethylaminomethyl)phenol and 4-amino-2-fluorophenol, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

Among the ortho-aminophenols which can be used as oxidation bases in the dye compositions in accordance with the invention, mention may be made more particularly of 2-aminophenol, 2-amino-5-methylphenol, 2-amino-6-methylphenol and 5-acetamido-2-aminophenol, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

Among the heterocyclic bases which can be used as oxidation bases in the dye compositions in accordance with the invention, mention may be made more particularly of pyridine derivatives, pyrimidine derivatives, pyrazole derivatives and pyrazolopyrimidine derivatives, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

Among the pyridine derivatives, mention may be made more particularly of the compounds described, for example, in patents GB 1,026,978 and GB 1,153,196, such as 2,5-diaminopyridine, 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)amino-3-aminopyridine, 2,3-diamino-6-methoxypyridine, 2-( $\beta$ -methoxyethyl)amino-3-amino-6-methoxypyridine and 3,4-diaminopyridine, and the addition salts thereof

with an acid.

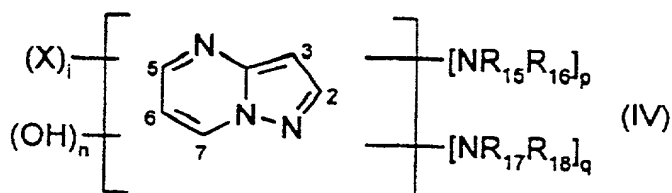
Among the pyrimidine derivatives, mention may be made more particularly of the compounds described, for example, in German patent DE 2,359,399 or Japanese patent JP 88-169,571 or patent application WO 96/15765, such as 2,4,5,6-tetraaminopyrimidine, 4-hydroxy-2,5,6-triaminopyrimidine, 2-hydroxy-4,5,6-triaminopyrimidine, 2,4-dihydroxy-5,6-diaminopyrimidine and 2,5,6-triaminopyrimidine, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

Among the pyrazole derivatives, mention may be made more particularly of the compounds described in patents DE 3,843,892, DE 4,133,957 and patent applications WO 94/08969, WO 94/08970, FR-A-2,733,749 and DE 195 43 988, such as 4,5-diamino-1-methylpyrazole, 3,4-diaminopyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-(4'-chlorobenzyl)pyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-phenylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-methyl-3-phenylpyrazole, 4-amino-1,3-dimethyl-5-hydrazinopyrazole, 1-benzyl-4,5-diamino-3-methylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-3-tert-butyl-1-methylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-tert-butyl-3-methylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)-3-methylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-methylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)pyrazole, 4,5-diamino-1-ethyl-3-hydroxymethylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-methylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-3-hydroxymethyl-1-isopropylpyrazole, 4,5-diamino-3-methyl-1-isopropylpyrazole, 4-amino-5-(2'-aminoethyl)amino-1,3-dimethylpyrazole, 3,4,5-triaminopyrazole, 1-methyl-3,4,5-triaminopyrazole, 3,5-diamino-1-methyl-4-methylaminopyrazole and 3,5-diamino-4-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-1-methylpyrazole, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

Among the pyrazolopyrimidine derivatives, mention may be made more particularly of the

pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidines of formula (IV) below, and the addition salts thereof with an acid or with a base and the tautomeric forms thereof, when a tautomeric equilibrium exists:

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in which:

- R<sub>15</sub>, R<sub>16</sub>, R<sub>17</sub> and R<sub>18</sub>, which may be identical or different, denote a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, an aryl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkoxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> aminoalkyl radical (it being possible for the amine to be protected with an acetyl, ureido or sulphonyl radical), a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical, a di[(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl]amino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical (it being possible for the dialkyl radicals to form a 5- or 6-membered carbon-based ring or a heterocycle), a hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl- or di[hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl]amino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical;
- the radicals X, which may be identical or different, denote a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical, an aryl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyhydroxyalkyl radical, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> aminoalkyl radical, a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkylamino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical, a di[(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl]amino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical (it being possible for the dialkyls to form a 5- or 6-membered carbon-based ring or a heterocycle), a hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl- or di[hydroxy(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl]amino(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl radical, an amino radical, a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl- or di[(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl]amino radical; a halogen atom, a carboxylic acid group or a sulphonic acid group;
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- p is equal to 0 or 1;

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- q is equal to 0 or 1;

- n is equal to 0 or 1;

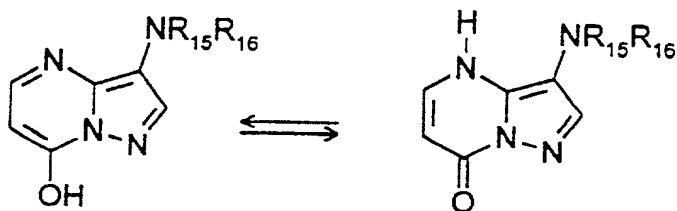
with the proviso that:

- the sum  $p + q$  is other than 0;

5 - when  $p + q$  is equal to 2, then n is equal to 0 and the groups  $NR_{15}R_{16}$  and  $NR_{17}R_{18}$  occupy the (2,3); (5,6); (6,7); (3,5) or (3,7) positions;

10 - when  $p + q$  is equal to 1, then n is equal to 1 and the group  $NR_{15}R_{16}$  (or  $NR_{17}R_{18}$ ) and the OH group occupy the (2,3); (5,6); (6,7); (3,5) or (3,7) positions.

15 When the pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidines of formula (IV) above are such that they contain a hydroxyl group on one of the positions 2, 5 or 7  $\alpha$  to a nitrogen atom, a tautomeric equilibrium exists represented, for example, by the following scheme:



Among the pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidines of formula (IV) above, mention may be made in particular of:

- 20 - pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,7-diamine;  
 - 2,5-dimethylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,7-diamine;  
 - pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,5-diamine;  
 - 2,7-dimethylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,5-diamine;  
 - 3-aminopyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-7-ol;  
 25 - 3-aminopyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-5-ol;  
 - 2-(3-aminopyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-7-ylamino)ethanol;  
 - 2-(7-aminopyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-ylamino)ethanol;  
 - 2-[(3-aminopyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-7-yl)-(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]ethanol;  
 30 - 2-[(7-aminopyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidin-3-yl)-(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]ethanol;  
 - 5,6-dimethylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,7-diamine;



- 2,6-dimethylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,7-diamine;
- 2,5,N7,N7-tetramethylpyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine-3,7-diamine;

and the addition salts thereof and the tautomeric forms thereof, when a tautomeric equilibrium exists.

The pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidines of formula (IV) above can be prepared by cyclization starting with an aminopyrazole, according to the syntheses described in the following references:

- 10 - EP 628559 Beiersdorf-Lilly.
- R. Vishdu, H. Navedul, Indian J. Chem., 34b (6), 514, 1995.
- N.S. Ibrahim, K.U. Sadek, F.A. Abdel-Al, Arch. Pharm., 320, 240, 1987.
- 15 - R.H. Springer, M.B. Scholten, ~~R.D.E.~~ O'Brien, T. Novinson, J.P. Miller, R.K. Robins, J. Med. Chem., 25, 235, 1982.
- T. Novinson, R.K. Robins, T.R. Matthews, J. Med. Chem., 20, 296, 1977.
- 20 - US 3907799 ICN Pharmaceuticals.

The pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidines of formula (IV) above can also be prepared by cyclization starting from hydrazine, according to the syntheses described in the following references:

- 25 - A. McKillop and R.J. Kobilecki, Heterocycles, 6(9), 1355, 1977.
- E. Alcade, J. De Mendoza, J.M. Marcia-Marquina, C. Almera, J. Elguero, J. Heterocyclic Chem., 11(3), 423, 1974.
- 30 - K. Saito, I. Hori, M. Higarashi, H. Midorikawa, Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan, 47(2), 476, 1974.

The oxidation base(s) in accordance with the invention preferably represent(s) from 0.0005 to 12% by weight approximately relative to the total weight of the ready-to-use dye composition, and even more preferably from 0.005 to 6% by weight approximately

relative to this weight.

The couplers which can be used are those used conventionally in oxidation dye compositions, i.e. meta-phenylenediamines, meta-aminophenols and meta-diphenols, mono- or polyhydroxylated naphthalene derivatives, sesamol and its derivatives and heterocyclic compounds such as, for example, indole derivatives, indoline derivatives, benzimidazole derivatives, benzomorpholine derivatives, sesamol derivatives, pyrazoloazole derivatives, pyrroloazole derivatives, imidazoloazole derivatives, pyrazolopyrimidine derivatives, pyrazoline-3,5-dione derivatives, pyrrolo[3,2-d]oxazole derivatives, pyrazolo[3,4-d]thiazole derivatives, thiazoloazole S-oxide derivatives and thiazoloazole S,S-dioxide derivatives, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

These couplers can be chosen in particular from 2-methyl-5-aminophenol, 5-N-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyl)amino-2-methylphenol, 3-aminophenol, 1,3-dihydroxybenzene, 1,3-dihydroxy-2-methylbenzene, 4-chloro-1,3-dihydroxybenzene, 2,4-diamino-1-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethyloxy)benzene, 2-amino-4-( $\beta$ -hydroxyethylamino)-1-methoxybenzene, 1,3-diaminobenzene, 1,3-bis(2,4-diaminophenoxy)propane, sesamol,  $\alpha$ -naphthol, 6-hydroxyindole, 4-hydroxyindole, 4-hydroxy-N-methylindole, 6-hydroxyindoline, 2,6-dihydroxy-4-methylpyridine, 1H-3-methylpyrazol-5-one and 1-phenyl-3-methylpyrazol-5-one, and the addition salts thereof with an acid.

When they are present, these couplers preferably represent from 0.0001 to 10% by weight approximately relative to the total weight of the ready-to-use dye composition, and even more preferably from 0.005 to 5% by weight approximately relative to this weight.

In general, the addition salts with an acid which can be used in the context of the dye compositions of the invention (oxidation bases and

couplers) are chosen in particular from the hydrochlorides, hydrobromides, sulphates, tartrates, lactates and acetates.

5 The dye composition of the invention can also contain, in addition to the oxidation dye precursors defined above and the optional combined couplers, direct dyes to enrich the shades with glints. These direct dyes can then be chosen in particular from nitro-  
dyes, azo dyes or anthraquinone dyes.

10 The subject of the invention is also a process for dyeing keratin fibres, and in particular human keratin fibres such as the hair, using the ready-to-use dye composition as defined above.

15 According to this process, at least one ready-to-use dye composition as defined above is applied to the fibres, for a period which is sufficient to develop the desired coloration, after which the fibres are rinsed, optionally washed with shampoo, rinsed again and dried.

20 The time required to develop the coloration on the keratin fibres is generally between 3 and 60 minutes and even more precisely between 5 and 40 minutes.

25 According to one specific embodiment of the invention, the process includes a first step which consists in separately storing, on the one hand, a composition (A) comprising, in a medium which is suitable for dyeing, at least one oxidation base and optionally at least one coupler as defined above, and,  
30 on the other hand, a composition (B) containing, in a medium which is suitable for dyeing, at least one enzyme of 2-electron oxidoreductase type in the presence of at least one donor for the said enzyme and at least one nonionic amphiphilic polymer containing at  
35 least one hydrophilic unit and at least one fatty chain, and then in mixing them together at the time of

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use, before applying this mixture to the keratin fibres.

According to another specific embodiment of the invention, the nonionic amphiphilic polymer can be  
5 incorporated into composition (A).

Another subject of the invention is a multi-compartment dyeing device or "kit" or any other multi-compartment packaging system, a first compartment of which contains composition (A) as defined above and a  
10 second compartment of which contains composition (B) as defined above. These devices can be equipped with means for applying the desired mixture to the hair, such as the devices described in patent FR-2,586,913 in the name of the Applicant.

15 A subject of the present invention is also a novel process for treating keratin substances, in particular the hair, in order to obtain a permanent reshaping of this hair, in particular in the form of permanent-waved hair, this process comprising the  
20 following steps: (i) a reducing composition is applied to the keratin substance to be treated, the keratin substance being placed under mechanical tension before, during or after the said application, (ii) the keratin substance is optionally rinsed, (iii) an oxidizing  
25 composition as defined above is applied to the optionally rinsed keratin substance, (iv) the keratin substance is optionally rinsed again.

The first step (i) of this process consists in applying a reducing composition to the hair. This  
30 application is carried out lock by lock or all at once.

The reducing composition comprises, for example, at least one reducing agent, which can be chosen in particular from thioglycolic acid, cysteine, cysteamine, glyceryl thioglycolate, thiolactic acid or  
35 thiolactic or thioglycolic acid salts.

The usual step for placing the hair under

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tension in a shape corresponding to the desired final shape for this hair (for example curls) can be carried out by any suitable means, in particular mechanical means, which are suitable and known per se for maintaining the hair under tension, such as, for example, rollers, curlers and the like.

The hair can also be shaped without the aid of external means, simply with the fingers.

Before carrying out the following optional rinsing step (ii), the hair onto which the reducing composition has been applied should, conventionally, be left to stand for a few minutes, generally between 5 minutes and one hour, preferably between 10 and 30 minutes, so as to give the reducing agent enough time to act correctly on the hair. This waiting phase preferably takes place at a temperature ranging from 35°C to 45°C, while preferably also protecting the hair with a hood.

In the optional second step of the process (step (ii)), the hair impregnated with the reducing composition is then rinsed thoroughly with an aqueous composition.

Next, in a third step (step (iii)), the oxidizing composition of the invention is applied to the hair thus rinsed, with the aim of fixing the new shape given to the hair.

As in the case of the application of the reducing composition, the hair onto which the oxidizing composition has been applied is then, conventionally, left for a standing or waiting phase lasting a few minutes, generally between 3 and 30 minutes, preferably between 5 and 15 minutes.

If the hair was maintained under tension by external means, these means (rollers, curlers or the like) can be removed from the hair before or after the fixing step.

Lastly, in the final step of the process according to the invention (step (iv)), which is also optional, the hair impregnated with the oxidizing composition is rinsed thoroughly, generally with water.

5 Hair which is soft and easy to disentangle is finally obtained. The hair is wavy.

The oxidizing composition according to the invention can also be used in a process for bleaching keratin fibres, and in particular the hair.

10 The bleaching process according to the invention comprises a step of applying an oxidizing composition according to the invention to the keratin fibres in the presence or absence of an auxiliary oxidizing agent. Conventionally, a second step of the  
15 bleaching process according to the invention is a step of rinsing the keratin fibres.

The medium which is suitable for the keratin fibres (or the support) for the ready-to-use dye compositions and for the oxidizing compositions used  
20 for the permanent reshaping or bleaching of keratin fibres in accordance with the invention generally consists of water or of a mixture of water and at least one organic solvent in order to dissolve the compounds which would not be sufficiently soluble in water. By  
25 way of organic solvent, mention may be made, for example, of  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkanols such as ethanol and isopropanol; glycerol; glycols and glycol ethers such as 2-butoxyethanol, propylene glycol, propylene glycol monomethyl ether, diethylene glycol monoethyl ether and  
30 monomethyl ether, and aromatic alcohols such as benzyl alcohol or phenoxyethanol, similar products and mixtures thereof.

The solvents can be present in proportions preferably of between 1 and 40% by weight approximately  
35 relative to the total weight of the dye composition, and even more preferably between 5 and 30% by weight

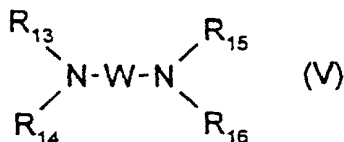
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approximately.

The pH of the ready-to-use dye compositions and of the oxidizing compositions used for the permanent reshaping or bleaching of the keratin fibres in accordance with the invention is chosen such that the enzymatic activity of the 2-electron oxidoreductase is not adversely affected. It is generally between 5 and 11 approximately, and preferably between 6.5 and 10 approximately. It can be adjusted to the desired value using acidifying or basifying agents usually used for dyeing keratin fibres.

Among the acidifying agents, mention may be made, by way of example, of inorganic or organic acids such as hydrochloric acid, orthophosphoric acid, sulphuric acid, carboxylic acids such as acetic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid or lactic acid, and sulphonic acids.

Among the basifying agents, mention may be made, by way of example, of aqueous ammonia, alkaline carbonates, alkanolamines such as mono-, di- and triethanolamines, 2-methyl-2-aminopropanol and derivatives thereof, sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide and the compounds of formula (V) below:



in which W is a propylene residue optionally substituted with a hydroxyl group or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl radical; R<sub>13</sub>, R<sub>14</sub>, R<sub>15</sub> and R<sub>16</sub>, which may be identical or different, represent a hydrogen atom or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> hydroxyalkyl radical.

The ready-to-use dye compositions and the oxidizing compositions for the permanent reshaping or bleaching of keratin fibres in accordance with the

invention can also contain various adjuvants used conventionally in compositions for dyeing, permanently reshaping or bleaching the hair, such as anionic, cationic, nonionic, amphoteric or zwitterionic surfactants or mixtures thereof, anionic, cationic, nonionic (other than those of the invention), amphoteric or zwitterionic polymers or mixtures thereof, inorganic or organic thickeners, antioxidants, enzymes other than the 2-electron oxidoreductases used in accordance with the invention, such as, for example, peroxidases, penetration agents, sequestering agents, fragrances, buffers, dispersing agents, conditioners, such as, for example, silicones, film-forming agents, preserving agents and opacifiers.

Needless to say, a person skilled in the art will take care to select this or these optional complementary compound(s) such that the advantageous properties intrinsically associated with the compositions in accordance with the invention are not, or are not substantially, adversely affected by the addition or additions envisaged.

The ready-to-use dye compositions and the oxidizing compositions used for the permanent reshaping or bleaching of keratin fibres in accordance with the invention can be in various forms, such as in the form of liquids, creams or gels, which are optionally pressurized, or in any other form which is suitable for dyeing, permanently reshaping or bleaching keratin fibres, and in particular human hair.

In the case of a ready-to-use dye composition, the oxidation dyes(s) and the 2-electron oxidoreductase(s) are present in the said composition, which must be free of oxygen gas, so as to avoid any premature oxidation of the oxidation dye(s).

Concrete examples illustrating the invention will now be given.



In the text hereinabove and hereinbelow, except where otherwise mentioned, the percentages are expressed on a weight basis.

The examples which follow illustrate the invention without being limiting in nature.

**Example 1:      Dye composition**

The ready-to-use dye composition below was prepared (contents in grams):

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| - Uricase from <i>Arthrobacter globiformis</i> at a concentration of 20 International Units (I.U.)/mg, sold by the company Sigma   | 1.5 g     |
| - Uric acid  | 1.5 g     |
| - (C <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>10</sub> )alkyl polyglucoside as an aqueous solution containing 60% active material (A.M.), sold under the name Oramix CG110 by the company SEPPIC | 8.0 g     |
| - para-Phenylenediamine  | 0.324 g   |
| - Resorcinol   | 0.32 g    |
| - Polyurethane ether (diurethane of oxy-ethylenated and oxypropylenated (C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>18</sub> ) alcohols, sold under the name Dapral T212 by the company Akzo    | 1.0 g     |
| - Ethanol  | 20.0 g    |
| - Monoethanolamine   | qs pH 9.5 |
| - Demineralized water  | qs 100 g  |

This ready-to-use dye composition was applied to locks of natural grey hair containing 90% white hairs for 30 minutes. The hair was then rinsed, washed with a standard shampoo and then dried.

Locks of hair dyed a matt dark-blonde colour were obtained.

Example 2:      Oxidizing      composition      for      permanent-  
waving or bleaching

- Uricase from *Arthrobacter globiformis* at a  
concentration of 20 International Units  
(I.U.)/mg, sold by the company Sigma 1.8 g
- Uric acid 1.65 g
- Ethanol 20.0 g.
- (C<sub>8</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>)alkyl polyglucoside as an aqueous  
solution containing 60% active material  
(A.M.), sold under the name Oramix CG110  
by the company SEPPIC 8.0 g
- Hydroxymethylcellulose modified with a  
cetyl chain, sold under the name Natrosol  
Plus Grade 330 GS by the company Aqualon 0.25 g
- 2-methyl-2-amino-1-  
propanol qs pH 9.5
- Demineralized water qs 100 g

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